## MISSION PAYLOAD MODULE NON-LETHAL WEAPONS SYSTEM (MPM-NLWS)

## DESCRIPTION

The Mission Payload Module Non-Lethal Weapons System (MPM-NLWS) program is a Marine Corps led, Joint Non-Lethal Weapons Directorate funded program that will develop and field new non-lethal munitions payload technologies designed to render personnel temporarily incapacitated, disoriented, or to immobilize personnel within a specified zone of influence. The objective of the program is to provide a capability to deliver counter-personnel non-lethal effects applicable to controlling crowds, denying or defending areas, controlling access, and engaging threats while providing sufficient standoff for protection of friendly forces.

## **OPERATIONAL IMPACT**

The MPM-NLWS will allow the Marine infantryman to efficiently launch non-lethal munitions to a broader area with a greater duration of effects and volume of fire. Employment of these new non-lethal munitions will grant Commanders additional options short of lethal force and flexibility in implementing Rules of Engagement with less-restrictive measures.

## **PROGRAM STATUS**

MPM-NLWS achieved Milestone A in 2004. A Milestone B decision is expected during fourth quarter, fiscal year 2008.

Procurement Profile: FY2008 FY2009 Quantity: 0 0

Developer/Manufacturer: TBD